

Parks & Rec Public Meeting 03/09/17 at 5:30PM

- This meeting is in response to the Comprehensive Plan Update 2017.
- Current projects, future projects, and projects everyone would like to see.
- Amenities, rec programs, locations, vendors, character
 - Shade structures, seating, viewing areas, public art, signage, restrooms, venues, trail connectivity, lighting, playground equipment, parking, landscaping
- **River Center Park**
 - GOCO funded
 - Current: Restrooms, shade structure, tables, seating, BBQ grill, paved trail, fishing ponds, bike racks
 - 2017 Projects: Replace fishing dock, repaving trail access
 - Would like to see: Nicer Welcome to Pagosa Sign/more welcoming, maybe an arch or illumination/change in color, sign to direct people to the park, map of park showing access, water safety signs/tubers/white water, signage for fish limit, signage to direct people to other trails in Town, QR codes on signs, changing structure/screen, make the area look more inviting (trees, tables), simple shade structures similar to what is currently near the hot springs
 - Town Council approved the connection to the River Center Park, under HWY 160 bridge and then a pedestrian bridge to cross the river
 - Tubers are taking up too much of the parking
- **“Cotton Hole Park”**
 - Where new trail extension will be connected
 - There is currently a sandy beach
 - There will be a lot more use at the corner of this trail near the river
 - There are concerns over public use on private land
 - Concerns about overuse/gentrifying the area
 - Possible conservation easement
- **Town Park/Mary Fisher Park**
 - Current: Gazebo, restrooms, tables, seating, playground, climbing boulder, bike racks, event venue, BBQ areas, changing area, hot springs access
 - 2017 Projects: Paving of all three parking lots, connection to Riverwalk, sod project with 8th graders athletic field, sidewalk on north side of Hermosa Street, wildlife resistant trash cans
 - Would like to see: More lighting near parking lot/bathrooms, utilize the pavilion space for more events, build a better venue (possibly tear down the old one and build something more useful), the wave features near this park are not conducive to helping hard boats stay in the features for recreation (kayaks/canoes, more friendly to all boat

types and water usage), if lights are placed the Town should include outlets for events, more developed interpretive signage/history of the Town and the River, possibly motion sensor lights, bathrooms might need to be updated, would like to see more real rocks to climb on instead of artificial, possibly replace the wind harp on the bridge, cleanup the space under the Hot Springs Blvd. bridge, don't have too many lights (possibly sorter light stands), a better connection to the Climbing Boulder from Hot Springs Blvd. (possibly a rustic trail), possibly have more boating events (kayaks), a new bathroom at Mary Fisher Park, potentially camping opportunities at Mary Fisher Park

- **Centennial Park**

- Current: New pedestrian Bridge, GGP dome, amphitheater, community garden, tables, lighting, new bathrooms, geothermal area, McCabe Creek Corridor connectivity,
- Potential Future Projects: Additional domes, potential updates to the geothermal exchange building (windows to see inside/signage)
- Would like to see: Pedestrian connectivity to Lewis Street, possibly new surface on the trails to ensure all of them are at least 10-feet wide/look the same (some narrow to 8-feet), signage for the GGP site and how to get involved with the domes, develop the nearby site as natural areas and don't fill them with buildings
- There is a lot of summer parking on vacant lot on S. 6th Street
- There are a lot of features between here and Hot Springs Blvd.
- Additional trash receptacles
- Make the wetlands area a drone free zone

- **Yamaguchi Park**

- Current: Soccer fields, playground, skate park, terrazzo, baseball field, bathroom, tables, seating, event venue, boater access, planting area for youth summer program
- 2017 Projects: New playgrounds, sidewalks, volleyball courts, cement backstop for baseball field, new foul poles at the baseball field, landscaping around the skate park, new pump track, new roof on the terrazzo, new shade structures
- Would like to see: More approachable access to the river, potential opportunity for camping/expansion into the old lagoons
- Potential rec center on the lagoons property

- **South Park**

- Current: Basketball courts, volleyball courts, pickleball courts, ice rink, playground, bathroom, large open field, shade structure, horseshoe pits, expanded parking lot, BBQ grills, event venue, new fence, bike racks
- 2017 Projects: Stain on the bathroom building, landscaping improvements
- Would like to see: Possibly move the ice rink or construct new pickleball courts elsewhere to avoid conflict, possibly cover the ice rink area to keep the ice from melting too quickly and to provide shade in the summer, permanent pickleball courts

- **Reservoir Hill**

- Current: Bathrooms, gazebo, trails, Frisbee golf, observation deck, bike racks, event venue, signage, parking
- 2017 Projects: Continue/improve trails, improve the roadway
- Would like to see: Possible dog park, more signage for winter usage, more bike friendly terrain/rocks

- **Recreation Programs**

- Soccer, basketball, baseball, gymnastics, volleyball, arts/crafts, summer kids program, adult/coed sports
- Would like to see: Possibly adult programs in the winter on the weekend/evenings, more opportunities for seniors